

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1 1. (Currently amended) A computerized method for determining
2 implications in a word-level network, comprising:
3 generating a graph data structure representation for a set of constraints
4 associated with a circuit design, comprising one or more nodes, each node having
5 an associated range;
6 identifying a first unjustified Boolean node;
7 limiting a first input range, of a first input to the first unjustified Boolean
8 node, to contain no value of type non-controlling;
9 performing a first implication process, upon the ranges of the graph data
10 structure, using the first input range limitation;
11 limiting a second input range, of a second input to the first unjustified
12 Boolean node, to contain no value of type non-controlling;
13 performing a second implication process, upon the ranges of the graph
14 data structure, using the second input range limitation;
15 accumulating a first result of the first implication process with a second
16 result of the second implication process to create an accumulated result; and
17 displaying the accumulated result to a circuit designer to facilitate
18 implementing the circuit design.

- 1 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising the following
2 steps:

3 identifying a third unjustified Boolean node as a result of limiting the first
4 input to the first unjustified Boolean node; and
5 limiting an input range, of an input to the third unjustified Boolean node,
6 to contain no value of type non-controlling.

1 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
2 identifying a third unjustified Boolean node; and
3 performing the first implication process with a combination of an input
4 range, of an input to the third unjustified Boolean node, set to contain no value of
5 type non-controlling and the first input range, of the first input to the first
6 unjustified Boolean node, set to contain no value of type non-controlling.

1 4. (Original) The method of claim 3, further comprising:
2 identifying the first unjustified Boolean node, and the third unjustified
3 Boolean node, as a result of the set of constraints.

1 5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein the
2 identification of a third unjustified Boolean node is limited to be within a
3 pre-determined number of levels of the first unjustified Boolean node.

1 6. (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, wherein the
2 identification of a third unjustified Boolean node is limited to be within a
3 pre-determined number of levels of the first unjustified Boolean node.

1 7. (Original) The method of claim 2, further comprising:
2 removing the third unjustified Boolean node, from further limitation of an
3 input range to contain no value of type non-controlling, if an inclusion of the third
4 unjustified Boolean node, in an implication process, produces an amount of

5 learned implications that is below a threshold of learned implications that is
6 determined from an inclusion of at least a fourth unjustified Boolean node in a
7 previous implication process.

1 8. (Original) The method of claim 2, further comprising:
2 removing the third unjustified Boolean node, from further limitation of an
3 input range to contain no value of type non-controlling, if an inclusion of the third
4 unjustified Boolean node, in an implication process, produces a percentage of
5 learned implications that is below a threshold percentage of learned implications
6 that is determined from an inclusion of at least a fourth unjustified Boolean node
7 in a previous implication process.

1 9. (Original) A computer program product comprising:
2 a computer usable medium having computer readable code embodied
3 therein for determining implications in a word-level network, the computer
4 program product including:
5 computer readable program code devices configured to cause a computer
6 to effect generating a graph data structure representation, comprising one or more
7 nodes, each node having an associated range;
8 computer readable program code devices configured to cause a computer
9 to effect identifying a first unjustified Boolean node;
10 computer readable program code devices configured to cause a computer
11 to effect limiting a first input range, of a first input to the first unjustified Boolean
12 node, to contain no value of type non-controlling;
13 computer readable program code devices configured to cause a computer
14 to effect performing a first implication process, upon the ranges of the graph data
15 structure, using the first input range limitation;

16 computer readable program code devices configured to cause a computer
17 to effect limiting a second input range, of a second input to the first unjustified
18 Boolean node, to contain no value of type non-controlling;
19 computer readable program code devices configured to cause a computer
20 to effect performing a second implication process, upon the ranges of the graph
21 data structure, using the second input range limitation;
22 computer readable program code devices configured to cause a computer
23 to effect accumulating a first result of the first implication process with a second
24 result of the second implication process.

1 10. (Currently amended) ~~An electromagnetic waveform~~ A computer-
2 readable storage medium comprising a computer program, the computer program
3 for determining implications in a word-level network, the computer program
4 comprising the following steps when executed by a data processing system:
5 generating a graph data structure representation, comprising one or more
6 nodes, each node having an associated range;
7 identifying a first unjustified Boolean node;
8 limiting a first input range, of a first input to the first unjustified Boolean
9 node, to contain no value of type non-controlling;
10 performing a first implication process, upon the ranges of the graph data
11 structure, using the first input range limitation;
12 limiting a second input range, of a second input to the first unjustified
13 Boolean node, to contain no value of type non-controlling;
14 performing a second implication process, upon the ranges of the graph
15 data structure, using the second input range limitation;
16 accumulating a first result of the first implication process with a second
17 result of the second implication process.